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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith. The present After-Final Amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application and does not require further search.

Claims 3-6, 9-12, 15-18, and 21-24 are pending in this application and were indicated to be allowable. The other claims have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Indeed Applicants hereby reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications presenting these claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that this After-Final Amendment does not require further search and that all of the claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request entry of this After-Final Amendment and early passage to issue of the present application.

Please charge any additional fees that may be needed, and credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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